



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 3700

PATENT

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Appl. No.	: 09/909,580	Confirmation No.	: 3035
Applicant	: Nathan R. Brown	Attorney Docket No.:	500200.04 (29285/US/4)
Filed	: July 20, 2001	Customer No.	: 27,076
Art Unit	: 3723		
Examiner	: Alvin J. Grant		
Title	: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CHEMICAL-MECHANICAL PLANARIZATION OF MICROELECTRONIC SUBSTRATES WITH A CARRIER AND MEMBRANE		

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 23 of this paper.

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2. ☒ Check Enclosed

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
101	750	201	375	<input type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee
106	330	206	165	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee
108	750	208	375	<input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee
114	160	214	80	<input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Filing Fee

Subtotal (1) \$0

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Current Claims	Prior	Extra	Fee	Fee Paid
Total 82	- 20	= 62	x \$ 18	= \$ 1116
Ind. 10	- 3	= 7	x \$ 84	= \$ 588
Multiple Dependent Claims			x \$	= \$

Subtotal (2) \$ 1704

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent Claim
109	84	209	42	Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath	\$
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	\$
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	\$
147	2,520	147	2,520	For Filing a Request for Reexamination	\$
195	300	196	300	Publication (early or Republication)	\$
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	\$
116	410	216	205	Extension for reply within 2 nd month	\$
117	930	217	465	Extension for reply within 3 rd month	\$
118	1,450	218	725	Extension for reply within 4 th month	\$
128	1,970	280	985	Extension for reply within 5 th month	\$
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	\$
121	280	270	140	Request for oral hearing	\$
148	110	248	55	Terminal Disclaimer Fee	\$
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	\$
141	1,300	241	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	\$
142	1,300	242	650	Utility/Reissue issue fee (+ advance copies)	\$
143	470	243	235	Design issue fee (+ advance copies)	\$
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	\$
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	\$
126	180	126	180	Submission of IDS	\$
581	40	81	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	\$
179	750	279	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	\$

Other fee (specify)

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